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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, §2, that the Department of Public Health will hold a public hearing on proposed amendments to 105 CMR 130.000, *Hospital Licensure*.

The proposed amendments establish standards for the designation of Primary Stroke Services in order to improve the care and outcomes of acute ischemic stroke patients. A hospital that provides licensed emergency services and that is equipped to rapidly triage and treat patients presenting with symptoms of acute stroke may apply for designation.

The hearing will be held December 29, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. in Side A of the Public Health Council Room, Second Floor, Department of Public Health, 250 Washington Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

Speakers are requested to provide a copy of their oral testimony. Parties who wish to submit written testimony should mail submissions to Nancy Murphy, Division of Health Care Quality, 10 West Street, Boston, MA, 02111. All written testimony must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on January 9, 2004.

Copies of the amendments may be obtained from LouAnn Stanton, Office of the General Counsel, at 617-624-5220.

Christine Ferguson
Commissioner

Date